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## Rep. Edming Excited to Announce Initiative for Middle Class Tax Relief

**MADISON** – Representative James Edming (R-Glen Flora) along with Assembly Republicans are announcing a new initiative to provide \$340 million in middle class tax relief for the people of Wisconsin. The proposal will be funded by a portion of the state's \$588.5 million budget surplus.

"Due to the sound budgeting over the past eight years, Wisconsin has gone from a \$3.6 billion budget deficit to a \$588.5 million surplus," said Rep. Edming. "I am proud to join my Republican colleagues to bring forward this proposal to return a portion of that surplus to the middle class taxpayers of Wisconsin."

Last week, Rep. Edming and his Assembly Republican colleagues sent a <u>letter</u> to Governor Tony Evers outlining some policy areas that they believe they can work together with his administration on. One of these areas is reducing income taxes. The proposed income tax cuts are targeted at individuals making under \$100,000 and families making less than \$150,000 with 75% of the tax cuts going to filers with incomes between \$30,000 and \$100,000. According to estimates from Wisconsin's nonpartisan Legislative Fiscal Bureau, a median income family filing jointly would see a \$310 tax cut.

"Providing this middle class tax relief is another step in keeping Wisconsin's economy growing strong," said Rep. Edming. "I look forward to working with my legislative colleagues to get this idea to Governor Evers' desk."

Assembly Republicans are working with their colleagues in the Senate to finalize this legislative proposal, which could be introduced as early as next week. Once enacted, this tax cut would go into effect in 2020.

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The 87th Assembly District includes portions of Clark, Marathon, Rusk, Sawyer and Taylor Counties.